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Sorensen Pacific Broadcasting, Inc.  
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Re: Sorensen Pacific Broadcasting, Inc.  
KGUM(AM), Agana, Guam  
Facility Identification Number: 60853  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant

This is in reference to the request April 29, 2019, on behalf of Sorensen Pacific Broadcasting, Inc. ("SPB"). SPB requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KGUM(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power.<sup>1</sup>

In support of the request SPB states that on January 29, 2016 KGUM(AM)'s tower was knocked down in a storm and the station returned to operation at 5 kilowatts utilizing a long wire antenna. SPB also states that a new tower has been constructed, the ground system has been installed, and all work has been completed. However, in preparing a new 302-AM, it was discovered that the tower's licensed coordinates were sufficiently erroneous and requires the filing of an FCC Form 301-AM to correct the coordinates. Thus, in the meantime, KGUM(AM) requests an STA to operate with parameters at variance from its licensed operation.

Specifically, the station requests non-directional operation from the recently constructed tower which is 89.2 electrical degrees. The new tower is 1.4 electrical degrees shorter than the licensed tower. Operation at licensed power of 10 kilowatts is requested from the corrected coordinates.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KGUM(AM) may operate

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<sup>1</sup> KGUM(AM) is licensed for operation on 567 kHz with unlimited hours power of 10 kilowatts, employing a non-directional antenna pattern (ND1-U).

with the following facilities:

Coordinates:	13° 23' 28" NL. 144° 45' 42" EL (NAD 1927)
Frequency:	567 kHz
Operating hours:	Unlimited
Operating power:	10 kW
Antenna:	New 436 foot replacement tower
ASRN:	1008505
Overall height above ground level:	133 m

Station KGUM(AM) may operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. SPB must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **November 2, 2019**.

**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or

- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jerome J. Manarchuck". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jerome" and last name "Manarchuck" clearly legible.

Jerome J. Manarchuck  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

cc: Allan G. Moskowitz, Esq. (via email only)